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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Walter G. Whitman  
Special Assistant to the Secretary of  
Defense

SUBJECT : Intelligence Estimate of Soviet Scientific  
and Technological Capabilities

1. In reply to the request in your memorandum, above subject, dated 6 July 1953, CIA will be pleased to provide annually by 1 October, or as soon thereafter as practicable, a long range (10-15 years) estimate of Soviet scientific and technological capabilities and intentions within our area of primary production responsibility as defined in DCID 3/4. Unfortunately, we probably will be unable to provide this year's estimate before 1 November 1953.

2. The detailed terms of reference for this year's estimate are being prepared and upon completion will be forwarded for your review and comment.

ROBERT AMORY, JR.  
Deputy Director/Intelligence

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